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4. Further the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Bhadrachalam, and the Tahsildar, Bhadrachalam, engaged two launches for Rs. 25 to enable the inhabitants of Yatapaka and Kollugudem in Bhadrachalam taluk to leave their respective villages with their property as the river rose so high as to threaten a collapse of the houses. The amount has still to be paid.

5. The total of all the above items comes up to Rs. 425. But in all likelihood something more may be required for relief being given to other afflicted persons. I therefore request that Government may be addressed to place at my disposal Rs. 500 for grant of relief. If more funds are required, I will submit another application.

6. I will submit a detailed report about the floods on the receipt of final reports from the Revenue Divisional Officers.

Appendix IV.

[Vide answer to question No. 508 asked by Mr. Abdul Hameed Khan at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 29th January 1934, page 31 supra.]

(i)

G.O. Ms. No. 3402, L. & M., dated 23rd August 1933.

Read—the following papers:—

Petition from certain Member, Salem District Board, dated 4th July 1933.

Memorandum to the President, District Board, Salem, No. 27067 A-1 A-2, dated 25th July 1933.

From the President, District Board, Salem, No. 3724/33/A-6, dated 6th August 1933.

Order—Ms. No. 3402, *L. & M., dated 23rd August* 1933.

Recorded.

2. The Government have satisfied themselves after a scrutiny of the minutes book that there is no truth in the allegation that the typed copy of the proceedings of 28th February 1933 was pasted over the original record of proceedings made by the President, District Board, Salem, at the meeting. They do not propose to pursue the matter.

3. The President is informed that if it is not possible to record the minutes of proceedings in the minutes book at the meeting he should note down the proceedings on loose sheets of paper or on a copy of the

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agenda at the meeting and should preserve these notes as original records of the proceedings after the minutes of the proceedings have been later on drawn up on the basis of these notes and recorded in the minutes book.

(By order of the Government, Ministry of Local Self-Government)

E. CONRAN SMITH,
Secretary to Government.

To the petitioners—
Mrs. P. Subbarayan, Member, Salem District Board, Tiruchengode.
The President, District Board, Salem.

(ii)

G.O. Ms. No. 4920, L. & M., dated 28th November 1933.

READ—the following paper:—

G.O. No. 3402, L. & M., dated 23rd August 1933.

Order—Ms. No. 4920, *L. & M., dated* 28*th November* 1933.

It has been represented to the Government that, in G.O. No. 3402, L. & M., dated 23rd August 1933, they have not passed orders on the specific representations made in the petition submitted on 4th July 1933 by certain members of the Salem District Board, while reference is made in the Government Order to an allegation which is not specifically made in the petition and a request has been made for revising the above Government Order.

2. The Government after obtaining the remarks of the President, District Board, Salem, on the subject-matter of the petition and after a scrutiny of the minutes book and other records of the district board and after hearing one of the signatories to the petition were satisfied that there was no incorrect recording of the proceedings by the President and that there was no reason for Government to interfere in respect of any of the charges made in the petition. It is not usual in such cases to pass orders seriatim on each of the representations made in the memorial. The usual procedure in cases in which the Government are satisfied that no interference is called for, is to 'record' the papers and the petition in question was accordingly 'recorded' in paragraph 1 of G.O. No. 3402, L. & M., dated 23rd August 1933.

3. After the submission of the petition to Government and in the course of a personal representation, one of the signatories to the petition made a further and more definite allegation which was not mentioned in the written petition. The Government considered it necessary to issue specific orders on this point and it was in this view that paragraph 2 of the Government Order was issued.

4. The Government do not, in the circumstances, consider that any revision of G.O. No. 3402, L. & M., dated 23rd August 1933, is called for.

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5. Certain instructions to the President, District Board, Salem, as to the recording of proceedings have been already issued in paragraph 3 of G.O. No. 3402, L. & M., dated 23rd August 1933. The question of issuing general instructions for the guidance of Presidents of local boards and chairmen of municipal councils in the matter of recording proceedings of meetings, is under the consideration of the Government.

(By order of the Government, Ministry of Local Self-Government)

E. CONRAN SMITH,
Secretary to Government.

To the petitioners—
Mrs. P. Subbarayan, Member, Salem District Board, Tiruchengode.
The President, District Board, Salem.

APPENDIX V.

[Vide answer to question No. 509 asked by Mr. P. V. Krishnayya Choudari at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 29th January 1934, page 32 supra.]

G.O. Ms. No. 146, L. & M., dated 17th January 1931.

READ—the following paper:—

[From the President, District Board, Chingleput, No. 3381-C/30, dated 4th January 1931.]

Order—Ms. No. 146, L. & M., dated 17th January 1931.

It has occasionally happened that communications have been received by presidents or chairmen of local bodies intimating the resignation of their office by members, and that these communications have subsequently been disowned or repudiated by the members in question. Precipitate action taken on such communications may lead to complications and litigation, and presidents and chairmen are, therefore, advised to make sure by an immediate reference to the member concerned that such communications are genuine before they take action thereon.

2. The Inspector of Municipal Councils and Local Boards is requested to circularise all presidents of panchayats in the matter.

(By order of the Government, Ministry of Local Self-Government)

HILTON BROWN,
Secretary to Government.

To all Presidents of District Boards with copies for Presidents of Taluk Boards.
,, the Chairmen of Municipal Councils.
,, the Inspector of Municipal Councils and Local Boards.